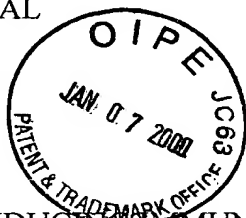


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: : ATTN: BOX SEQUENCE
YUTARO KANEKO ET AL : GROUP ART UNIT: 1632
SERIAL NO. 09/087,513 : EXAMINER: HAUDA
FILED: MAY 29, 1998 :
FOR: METHOD FOR INDUCING IMMUNITY
TO VIRUSES



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND STATEMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Applicants submit herewith a Sequence Listing and a corresponding computer-readable Sequence Listing. Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows.

Page 6, line 21, change "D1, I-10, and D2" to --D1 (SEQ ID NO:12), I-10 (SEQ ID NO:22), and D2 (SEQ ID NOS:23, 16)--.

Page 7, line 2, after "HXB2" insert --(SEQ ID NOS:15, 13, 16)--; same line, after

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"JRFL" insert --(SEQ ID NOS:12, 17, 16)--;

line 3, after "SF2" insert --(SEQ ID NOS:12, 18, 19)--; same line, after "CM240"